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bonds stripped into their STRIPS components are governed by subparts A, B and D of part 357 of this title.

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§ 356.32 Taxation.

(a) *General.* Securities issued under this part are subject to all applicable taxes imposed under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or successor. Under section 3124 of title 31, United States Code, the securities are exempt from taxation by a State or political subdivision of a State, except for State estate or inheritance taxes and other exceptions as provided in that section.

(b) *Treasury inflation-indexed securities.* Special federal income tax rules for inflation-indexed securities, and principal and interest components stripped from such securities, are set forth in Internal Revenue Service regulations.

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§ 356.33 Reservation of rights.

The Secretary reserves the right to accept or reject or refuse to recognize any or all bids or tenders submitted under this part. The Secretary also reserves the right to award more or less securities than the amount of securities specified in the offering announcement. The Secretary further reserves the right to waive any provision or provisions of this part for any or all bidders or submitters. Decisions of the Secretary under this section shall be final.

§ 356.34 Remedies.

(a) *General.* When a person or an entity fails to comply with the requirements of this part, the Secretary will consider the circumstances of such failure and determine an appropriate remedy. Such remedy may include prohibiting the person or entity from participating in future auctions for its own account, for the account of others, or both. The Secretary may refer such occurrences to the appropriate regulatory agency for enforcement action.

(b) *Liquidated damages.* A bidder agrees to pay liquidated damages of 1% of the par amount of securities awarded the bidder in an auction if the bid-

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der fails to pay for the awarded securities in a timely manner. The Secretary may waive, in whole or in part, the payment of liquidated damages. This liquidated damages provision shall not preclude the use of any other available remedy.

§ 356.35 Reservations as to terms of offerings.

The Secretary reserves the right to supplement or amend provisions of this part. The Secretary further reserves the right to modify the terms and conditions of new securities and to depart from the customary pattern of securities offerings at any time. Public notice of any such changes will be provided.

§ 356.36 Paperwork Reduction Act approval.

The collections of information contained in §§ 356.11, 356.12, 356.13, 356.14, and 356.15 and in appendix A of this part have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1535-0112.

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APPENDIX A TO PART 356—BIDDER DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this part, the definitions set forth in this appendix describe all of the categories of bidders eligible to bid in Treasury auctions. These definitions are to be used by persons and entities in determining whether they are considered one bidder or more than one bidder for the purpose of bidding in auctions and for the purpose of complying with the requirements of this part. Notwithstanding these definitions, any persons or entities that intentionally act together with respect to bidding in a Treasury auction are considered, collectively, to be one bidder.

The following definitions will be used by the Department in applying competitive and noncompetitive award limitations and related requirements, as described in this part.

(a) *Corporation*—A corporation and all affiliates, whether persons, partnerships, or other entities, hereinafter referred to as a corporate structure, are considered, collectively, to be one bidder.

An affiliate is any: entity that is more than 50% owned, directly or indirectly, by the corporation; entity that is more than 50% owned, directly or indirectly, by any other affiliate of the corporation; person or entity that owns, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the corporation; person or